UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

DISTRICT OF NEW JERSEY (609) 989-2040

CHAMBERS OF TONIANNE J. BONGIOVANNI UNITED STATES MAGISTRATE JUDGE U.S. COURTHOUSE 402 E. STATE STREET, RM 6052 TRENTON, NJ 08608

November 13, 2012

LETTER ORDER

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Re:

Slutsky, et al. v. Guadagno, et al.

Civil Action No. 10-5331 (PGS)

WILLIAM T. WALSH, CLERK

Dear Counsel:

In accordance with this Court's prior letter order dated October 9, 2012 [Docket Entry No. 24], the parties were instructed to determine whether, in light of the decision in Powell v. Symons, 680 F.3d 301 (3d Cir. 2012), the appointment of counsel was necessary for the Plaintiff in this case, Clayton Slutsky. In response, the parties have each submitted letters¹ that there is no need to appoint a guardian ad litem at this juncture. Having considered the parties' positions, the Court is in agreement that a guardian ad litem is not required and the Court shall not appoint one at this time.

IT IS SO ORDERED.

TONIANNE J. BONGIOVANNI **United States Magistrate Judge**

¹Plaintiff's letter dated October 25, 2012 is attached hereto as Exhibit A; Defendant's letter was electronically filed as Docket Entry No. 26.

October 25, 2012

The Honorable Tonianne J. Bongiovanni United States Magistrate Judge Clarkson S. Fisher Federal Bldg. & U.S. Courthouse 402 E. State Street, Rm. 6052 Trenton, N.J. 08608

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REF: LETTER ORDER Dated October 9, 2012

Dear Judge Bongiovanni:

The guardian ad litem process does not appear applicable at this time. There is no competency issue involving Clayton that is being raised to Court. That is not to say that the process may not become appropriate in the future based on medical circumstances.

Thank you.

Sincerely,

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